

Surah 63 Surah Munaafiqoon

THE HYPOCRITES

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH MUNAAFIQOON AND SURAH JUMUAH

Surah Jumu'ah indicates to the Mu'mineen that they should learn the etiquette of spending in Allaah's path. *Surah Munaafiqeen* now speaks about those *Munaafiqeen* who said that no one should spend on the *Sahabah* ﷺ and that the people of Madinah should expel the *Muhaajireen* from Madinah. Allaah also tells the Muslims that they should spend from their own wealth and should not be dependent on people like the *Munaafiqeen*.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

This *Surah* contains the following:

- * The *Munaafiqeen* are reproached and their despicable condition is revealed.
- * The Muslims are chided for not spending on their brethren and for their dependence upon the *Munaafiqeen*.

سُوْرَةُ الْمُنَافِقُوْنَ مَرْثِيَّةٌ فِي عَشْرَةِ آيَاتٍ وَقِيلَ إِنَّهُ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

إِذَا جَاءَكَ الْمُنَافِقُونَ قَالُوا نَشْهَدُ إِنَّكَ لَرَسُولُ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ إِنَّكَ لَرَسُولُهُ وَاللَّهُ يَشْهَدُ إِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ
لَكَاذِبُونَ^①

1. When the Munaafiqeen come to you (O Rasoolullah ﷺ) they say, “We testify (with conviction) that you are certainly Allaah's Rasool.” Allaah knows well that you are His Rasool and Allaah testifies that the Munaafiqeen are liars. (Although their statement is true, they are lying about the fact that they believe it.)

إِن تَخَذُوا آيْمَانَهُمْ جُنَّةً فَصَدُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ إِنَّهُمْ سَاءَ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ^②

2. They use their oaths (when they swear that they are Muslims) as shields (to protect their hypocrisy from being exposed) and (they also) prevent (others) from Allaah's path (Islam). Evil indeed is that which they do.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ آمَنُوا ثُمَّ كَفَرُوا فَطَغَىٰ عَلَىٰ قُلُوبِهِمْ فَمَهُمْ لَا يَفْقَهُوْنَ^③

3. This is because they had accepted Imaan (previously) and then committed kufr (thereby becoming Kuffaar again), so their hearts were sealed (from accepting Imaan again) and (because of this seal) they do not understand (the reality of Imaan).

وَأَذَانُ لَهُمْ سَجَجٌ بَلَّغُوا سَمْعَ لِقَوْلِهِمْ كَانَتْهُمْ حُشْبٌ مِّنْ شِدَّةٍ يَّحْسِبُونَ كُلَّ صَيْحَةٍ عَلَيْهِمْ هُمُ
الْعُدُوْا فَاحْذَرُهُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ بِاللَّهِ لِيُؤْفَكُونَ^④

4. When you look at them, their physical appearance appeals to you (because they are, strong and good-looking) and when they speak, you listen attentively to what they have to say (because they speak eloquently and confidently). (However, despite their sturdy and confident appearance,) They are like sticks leaning against a support (they are weak and cowardly). They think (fear) that every shout is (directed) against them (to harm them). They are enemies so beware of them (and never regard them as your friends). May Allaah destroy them! Where are they wandering astray? (They deviate further from Islam with each passing day.)

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ تَعَالَوْا يَسْتَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ لَوَّارٌ وَهُمْ يُصِدُّونَ وَهُمْ مُّسْتَكْبِرُونَ^⑤

5. When they are told, “Come forward and Allaah's Rasool ﷺ will seek forgiveness for you (for your evil statements and actions against Rasoolullah ﷺ and the Muslims),” they turn their heads around and you see them arrogantly (in pride) turning away.

سَوَاءٌ عَلَيْهِمْ أَسْتَغْفَرْتَ لَهُمْ أَمْ لَمْ تَسْتَغْفِرْ لَهُمْ لَنْ يَغْفِرَ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الْفَاسِقِينَ ①

6. It is the same to them whether you (O Rasulullaah ﷺ) seek forgiveness for them or whether you do not seek forgiveness for them. (In either case,) Allaah shall never forgive them. Verily Allaah does not guide the sinful ones.

هُمُ الَّذِينَ يَقُولُونَ لَا تُنْفِقُوا عَلَى مَنْ عِنْدَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ حَتَّى يَنْفَضُوا وَلِلَّهِ خَزَائِنُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَفْقَهُونَ ①

7. They (the Munaafiqeen) are the ones who said (to the Ansaar during one of the expeditions), “Do not spend on those with Rasulullaah ﷺ (the Muhaajireen) until they disperse (leave Madinah).” (However, they fail to realise that Allaah can sustain people without them because) To Allaah belongs the treasures of the heavens and the earth but the hypocrites do not understand (this).

يَقُولُونَ لِنَا رَجَعْنَا إِلَى الْمَدِينَةِ لِيُخْرِجَنَا الْأَعَزُّونَ مِنْهَا الْأَذَلَّ وَلِلَّهِ الْعِزَّةُ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلَكِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ①

8. They (the Munaafiqeen) say, “If we return to Madinah, the honourable ones among us (the people of Madinah) shall certainly exile the humiliated ones (the Muhaajireen).” (However, they fail to realise that it is the true Mu'mineen who are truly honourable because) All honour belongs to Allaah, His Rasool ﷺ and the Mu'mineen, but the Munaafiqeen do not know it.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتْلُكُمُ أَمْوَالُكُمْ وَلَا أَوْلَادُكُمْ عَنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَمَنْ يَفْعَلْ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْخَاسِرُونَ ④

9. O you who have Imaan! Let not your wealth and your children (the things of this world) make you neglect Allaah's remembrance (the duties that you owe to Allaah). Those who do this are certainly losers (who will lose the bounties of the Aakhirah).

وَأَنْفِقُوا مِنْ مَّا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يَأْتِيَ أَحَدَكُمُ الْمَوْتُ فَيَقُولَ رَبِّ لَوْلَا أَخَّرْتَنِي إِلَى أَجَلٍ قَرِيبٍ فَأَصَّدَّقَ وَأَكُنْ مِنَ الصَّالِحِينَ ①

10. Spend (for Allaah's pleasure) from what We have provided for you before death comes to any of you and then he says, “O my Rabb! Why do you not grant me respite (additional time to continue living) for a little while longer so that I can spend in charity and become of the righteous?”

وَلَنْ يُؤَخِّرَ اللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِذَا جَاءَ أَجَلُهَا وَاللَّهُ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ ②

11. (However,) Allaah shall not grant respite (an opportunity to continue living) to any soul when its term (the time for its death) arrives. Allaah is Informed of what you do.